IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

SUSANNE H. LINN and MELISSA KNESZ,

Civil Action No. 02 CV 4417

Plaintiff.

Judge Anita Brody

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NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, et al.,

Defendants.

DEFENDANT AFSCME'S MOTION TO DISMISS

AND NOW, pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure ("Rule") 12(b),
Defendant AFSCME Local 2549, ("AFSCME" or "Union"), by and through its attorneys,
Willig, Williams & Davidson, hereby moves this Court for an order dismissing Count VI
of the Complaint in this action, averring as follows:

- Plaintiffs commenced this action by filing a Complaint on or about
 July 2, 2002.
- 2. On or about August 1, 2002, Plaintiffs mailed a copy of the Complaint to Defendant AFSCME, and requested that the Union waive service of summons. Thereafter, undersigned counsel waived service of summons on AFSCME's behalf, and agreed to respond to the Complaint on or before September 30, 2002.

3. For the reasons set forth in the accompanying memorandum of law, incorporated herein by reference, Count VI of the Complaint must be dismissed pursuant to Rule 12(b)(6) for failure to state a claim against Defendant AFSCME for which relief can be granted.

WHEREFORE, Defendant AFSCME respectfully requests that the Court dismiss Count VI of the Complaint in this matter with prejudice.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: September 30, 2002

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, AMY L. ROSENBERGER, ESQUIRE, hereby certify that I have this day caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing Defendant AFSCME's Motion to Dismiss to be served by first class mail, postage prepaid, upon the following:

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